

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 95-857-E - ORDER NO. 95-974 ✓
APRIL 27, 1995

IN RE: Request of Carolina Power & Light Company) ORDER
 to Relocate Transmission Line.) APPROVING
) REQUEST

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina on the request of Carolina Power & Light Company (CP&L) to relocate a portion of an existing 230 kV transmission line.

In Order No. 91-566, dated July 16, 1991, the Commission granted CP&L a Certificate of Environmental Compatibility and Public Convenience and Necessity to construct approximately 225 MWS of additional combustion turbine capacity at CP&L's Darlington County Electric Plant. By its instant request, CP&L states that in order to construct the generating facilities approved by Order No. 91-566, it is necessary for CP&L to move a portion of an existing 230 kV transmission line located at the construction site. The request states that the relocated line will be approximately the same length as the existing line, that the farthest the line will be moved from its existing position will be less than 1000 feet, and that the entire line will be located within property currently owned by CP&L.

S.C. Code Ann. §58-33-110 (1976) provides in relevant part that:

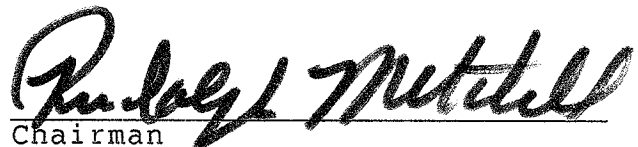
[n]o person shall commence to construct a major utility facility without first having obtained a certificate issued with respect to such facility by the Commission. The replacement of an existing facility with a like facility, as determined by the Commission, shall not constitute construction of a major utility facility.

Upon consideration of this matter and the applicable law, the Commission believes and so finds that the relocation of the transmission line as described in CP&L's request constitutes the replacement of an existing facility with a like facility. As the Commission finds that the relocation of this transmission line as described by CP&L is the replacement of an existing facility with a like facility, the relocation does not constitute the construction of a major utility facility, and no certificate is needed from the Commission to relocate this transmission line as described herein.

This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

(SEAL)